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**From:** Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/9/2021 8:48:39 PM  
**To:** Dwyer, William [William.Dwyer@mail.house.gov]; Laverdiere, Maria [Laverdiere.Maria@epa.gov]; Berckes, Nicole [Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Rep Kelly Inquiry re: Herbicide Registration Restrictions

Thanks for the clarification – that's just what we needed to proceed on the response. Best,  
Sven

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Thank you for your quick response, Sven. This is one of the notes we received:

"I'm reaching out to see if you have some time early next week for a call to discuss **dicamba**, a Bayer and BASF herbicide used over-the-top in corn, cotton and soybeans. We just completed the first year of a five-year registration for this chemistry and recently became aware that EPA is reviewing the registration and considering additional restrictions on its use. Given the importance of this chemistry to growers, would you be willing to speak with me and my colleagues about this issue in further detail? If so, please let me know what days and times work best for you."

Best,

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William – thanks for the request, we'll be glad to provide a response. In order to facilitate responding, are there particular pesticides or regulatory changes your constituents are concerned about? Best,  
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Good morning,

I am writing to inquire about the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) possible new registration restrictions for herbicides being considered ahead of the 2022 growing season. The COVID-19 pandemic has adversely affected the agriculture community in Illinois through supply chain disruptions and other economic influences outside of a farmer's control. As farmers throughout Illinois are preparing for the 2022 growing season, our office has heard concerns about the unintended effect any changes to herbicide registrations will have on price hikes, increased demand for alternatives, shortages, and financial losses for farmers who have purchased their herbicide and seed for the upcoming season.

Stakeholders in our district have said new registration restrictions could impose difficulties as they prepare for the next growing season. Obviously we don't want to allow harmful use to continue, but I was hoping you could provide some clarity on the timing for this decision and if there are any plans to handle the supply chain issues.

Best,

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